

## **MTE Soon to Make Excess Profit Transfer to MITW**

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Joe Besaw, Chairman of Menominee Tribal Enterprise Board of Directors, provided comment regarding distribution of excess profits to Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, "MTE was mandated through MITW Tribal Ordinance #02-22 (Stumpage Assessment on Tribal Forest) to provide the Tribe with a 'stumpage payment.' This is tough on MTE because it could break us and put us in a very bad financial situation. Menominee Tribal Enterprise, in accordance with their Management Plan, will provide to MITW excess profits of approximately \$600,000 within the next couple of weeks. How and what the Tribe does with the MTE excess profits will be up to them."

According to Mr. Besaw, MTE made some profits last year. MTE fiscal year 2002 and 2001, saw losses of about 3,000,000. These losses were contributed to the terrible global market, which was severally impacted by terrorism and the World Trade Center tragedy

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# **New Commons for CMN Students**



Above: Ribbon cutting ceremony for the Grand Opening of the CMN Campus Commons Building. Left to right are: Sherone Ivey, Dr. Verna Fowler, Donna Statzell, Jessica Van Zile, Richard Awonohopay and Joey Awonohopay.

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On October 17, 2003 the College of the Menominee Nation (CMN) opened the door to their fourth build-CMN Campus ing, Commons. They hosted a

grand opening celebration, which included ribbon cutting, a tour, and a reception. This is their newest building on the CMN main campus in Keshena. The Campus Commons will provide a meeting and gathering space for students and visitors to the campus.

During a welcome address given by CMN President, Dr. Verna Fowler, she promoted the building as a place in were students will exchange ideas, interact with other students and reflect on ideas that will shape the

future.

Jessica Van Zile, uncontested President of Student Body, shared her thoughts on the additional facilities as, "this building was desperately needed and

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Annual General Council (We encourage Tribal Attendance)

Saturday ~ January 17, 2004 ~ 9:00 a.m. Casino Complex Conference Rooms Keshena, WI

ваа weather date is set for Saturday, January 24, 2004

### **AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order Roll Call.
- 2. Menominee Veterans Color Guard and Flag Song.
- 3. Menominee Prayer.
- 4. Appointment of Sergeant-At-Arms.
- Appointment of Tellers.
- 6. Election of Chairman for the Meeting.
- 7. State of the Menominee Nation Chairperson
- 8. Legislative Committee Reports.
- I. Budget
- II. Housing
- III. Health & Family
- IV. Enforcement & Resource
- Protection
- V. Community Development

- VI. Labor, Education & Training
- 9. Other Business
- 10. Election of the Enrollment Committee: If a quorum of 150 eligible tribal voters are present, IN PERSON, in accordance with Bylaw III, Section 4, of the Menominee Constitution and Bylaws. If there is not a quorum of 150 voters present, IN PERSON, the Tribal Legislature shall appoint the enrollment Committee from the original applications that were submitted to the Chairman's Office, within two (2) months.
- 11. Retire the Color Guard.
- 12. Adjournment.

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~ Lunch will be served ~